

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

CURTIS L. PALMS,

Plaintiff,

v.

CAESAR ENTERTAINMENT CORP.,
et al.,

Defendants.

HONORABLE JEROME B. SIMANDLE

Civil Action
No. 14-3330 (JBS/AMD)

ORDER

This matter comes before the Court on a motion for default judgment by Plaintiff Curtis L. Palms, who proceeds pro se and in forma pauperis. [Docket Item 9.] The summonses were returned executed by U.S. Marshal on July 24, 2014, for Defendants Caesar Entertainment Corp., Mynor Gonzalez, Veronica Kelly, Ron Pisko, Lloyd Reynolds, and Pinter Vaughn. [Docket Item 8.] Under Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(a)(1)(A)(i), a defendant must serve an answer or dismissal motion within 21 days after being served with the summons and complaint, unless the time to respond is extended. Twenty-one days have not yet elapsed since Defendants were served with a summons and a copy of the Complaint. The Defendants are not in default. Therefore, the motion for default judgment is premature and is denied.

IT IS this 12th day of August, 2014, hereby

ORDERED that Plaintiff's motion for default judgment
[Docket Item 9] is DENIED.

s/ Jerome B. Simandle
JEROME B. SIMANDLE
Chief U.S. District Judge